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**PATENT** 

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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For:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONTROLLING DUPLEXING IN

AN ATM SWITCHING SYSTEM

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 11, line 13, change "S/W" to -software--.

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 1, 2, 3, and 21 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method for controlling duplexing in an ATM system, the

IM system including a plurality of duplexing control boards, each of the plurality of